

REMARKS

The above Amendment and these Remarks are in response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2006. Claims 1-47 were pending in the Application prior to the Office Action. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-47. This response cancels claims 1-47 and adds claims 48-69, leaving for the Examiner's consideration claims 48-69. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested.

I. Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 101

Claims 40-47 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims draw limitations to a signal or transmission media which is merely a form of energy and hence is not statutory subject matter.

Claims 40-47 have been canceled.

II. Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

Claims 1-47 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Marvin et al. U.S. Publication No. 2003/0167358.

Claims 1-47 have been canceled. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to prosecute any canceled claims in a continuing or future application.

III. Additional Amendments

Claims 48-69 have been newly added by the present Response. Applicants respectfully request that new Claims 48-69 be included in the Application and considered therewith.

IV. Conclusion

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now pending in the subject patent application should be allowable, and a Notice of Allowance is requested. The Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned if he can assist in any way in expediting issuance of a patent.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325 for any matter in connection with this Amendment and Reply.

Respectfully submitted,

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